Subject No. 181.

Speedy disposal of darkhasts.

Messrs. Guru Rao, Padmanna, and Chendrasekharaiya of Nanjangud Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Darkhasts presented by raiyats for lands required for cultivation purposes are not speedily disposed of. As delay in their disposal would cause much inconvenience to darkhastdars in bringing the land under proper cultivation in time and loss of revenue would also accrue to Government, it is prayed that arrangement may be made for the disposal of all darkhasts within *two weeks* from the date of their presentation.

Reply of Government.—The Revenue Commissioner's attention will be called to this representation and action will be ordered to be taken to improve the present working.

Subject No. 182.

Disposal of margin of lands on river banks.

Mr. Srinivasa Rao of Gargeswari, T. Narsipur Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The holders of lands adjoining river banks do plant some trees such as Niranji, Kotasal, etc., in view to avoid their lands being washed away. The margin of lands left from lands under cultivation on the river banks if measured more than 10 guntas is being separately numbered by the Survey Department and put up to sale. The disposal of such lands by sale to other than the adjoining land owners, may it is proposed be put a stop to, and that such land at the prevailing rate of assessment be given to the respective adjoining raiyats without sale.

Reply of Government.—The rules are distinct and clear and individual representations may be made.

Subject No. 183.

Application for kharab lands to be sent by post.

Mr. Hedase Devara Sastri.

Summary of discussion.—Applications for unoccupied lands may be ordered to be sent by post instead of making it compulsory to present them to the Amildar in person. The existing rule acts as a hardship on the raiyats living far away from Taluk Head-quarters.

Reply of Government.—The question of allowing darkhasts to be sent by post will be considered. There seems to be no harm in giving the concession.

Subject No. 184.

Kandayam on Darkhast land.

Mr. Timmannaiya of Seringapatam Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—If saguvali chits are not granted during the cultivating seasons for lands obtained through darkhasts or at auction sales, it may be ruled not to levy kandayam for that year.

Reply of Government.—Rule 43 is quite enough to meet such cases. It gives discretion to the Deputy Commissioner to direct the levy of assessment from the ensuing year in such cases.

Subject No. 185.

Minimum area for dry cultivation.

Mr. D. Srikanta Rao,
„ Srinivasa Rao of Mysore Taluk.
„ Varada Iyengar of the Hassan Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The minimum for subdivision of dry lands is fixed at 6 acres. At rates prevailing in the taluk, assessment for 6 acres will come to 15 rupees, which a poor raiyat cannot be expected to pay. The minimum fixed should therefore be reduced to 2 or 3 acres.

Reply of Government.—Will be considered with reference to the existing rate.